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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND
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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, and in accordance with the provisions in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure §§ 609 and 707.05(b), enclosed is FORM PTO/SB/08A/B with a listing of references that are known to applicant. Copies of each of the listed references are enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered in the examination of this application and identified on the list of references cited on the patent issuing on this application. Applicant also requests that an initialed copy of said FORM PTO/SB/08A/B be entered in the application file and returned to applicant with the next communication from the Office in accordance with MPEP § 609.

Applicant's undersigned attorney hereby certifies, in accordance with CFR § 1.97(e)(1), that U.S. Patent Nos. 4,924,766 and 5,632,098 contained in the information disclosure statement were first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a related foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

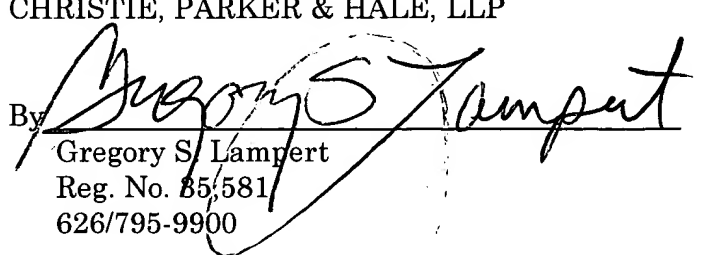
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Applicant's undersigned attorney also hereby certifies, in accordance with CFR §1.97(e)(2), that the additional references contained in the information disclosure statement were not cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, that the additional references contained in the information disclosure statement were not known to any individual designated in Section 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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